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WHITE SUPREMACIST SENTENCED TO OVER 5 YEARS ON WEAPONS CHARGE

Re: United States v. Russell Seace

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono, Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent in Charge of the Boston Field Office, Kenneth W. Kaiser, and Hampton Police Chief William Wrenn announced that Russell SEACE, DOB 3/18/70, of Hampton Beach, New Hampshire, was sentenced on December 16, 2003 on federal weapons charges.

On May 27, 2003, SEACE, a white supremacist affiliated with the white supremacist Church of Jesus Christ Christian and Aryan Nation organizations, entered a guilty plea before U.S. Magistrate Judge James R. Muirhead to an information charging him with being a felon in possession of a firearm in Hampton Beach on April 15, 2003. SEACE was arrested there after he took possession of a .45 caliber firearm from a confidential informant as part of an FBI investigation into his activities.

At yesterday's sentencing, U.S. District Judge Paul J. Barbadoro imposed a sentence of 63 months (5 years, 3 months) imprisonment followed by a 3-year period of supervised release during which Seace's behavior will be monitored by the U.S. Department of Probation..

U.S. Attorney Colantuono stated, "Russell Seace's conviction is another example of this office's commitment to the vigorous prosecution of federal firearms violations. Keeping guns out of the hands of convicted felons is one this office's priorities, and we will continue to commit resources to these efforts. The case is also a testament to the FBI's longstanding expertise in conducting investigations of this sort."

The charge against SEACE resulted from an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's resident office in Bedford, with the assistance of the Hampton Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph N. Laplante.